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Handoff system for wireless communications

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Weiterreichungssystem für drahtlose Kommunikation

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Système pour le transfert d'appels en communication sans fil

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Abstract (en)
At least portions of the map of the base stations, i.e., which base stations are neighbors, is discovered and updated using a wireless terminal controlled handoff process. The portion of the map that is discovered by a particular base station is typically its neighbors to which -it can possibly hand off a call it is serving. It takes at least one handoff with each such base station neighbor for the particular base station to discover its entire local map, i.e., all the base stations to which the particular base station can perform handoffs. The wireless terminal handoff process is used to supply a base station with information about other base stations with whom the base station can cooperate to perform handoffs. The handoff process may subsequently be performed more expeditiously between the particular base station and such other base stations using the obtained information. As part of the handoff process, the wireless terminal tells the new base station to which it is handing off the call the identity of the previous base station from which control is being handed off. The wireless terminal then completes handoff and begins to be served by the new base station. If the new base station does not have a valid record for the previous base station, it forms a trust relationship with the previous base station and creates a record for it, thus identifying it as a neighbor to which it can perform expedited handoff in response to the control of a wireless terminal. <IMAGE>

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